

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Dykes, Chris et al.	Art Unit:	1772
Application No.:	10/578,453	Examiner:	Sharon Pregler
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For:	DISPOSABLE FLUID SAMPLE COLLECTION DEVICE		

Interview Summary

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Madam:

Supplemental to the Amendment and Request for Continued Examiner filed on February 24, 2011, please enter the following interview summary filed pursuant to 37 CFR §1.2 and 37 CFR §1.133.

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Examiner Sharon Pregler and Applicant's counsel, Chris Lonegro, participated in an interview on February 23, 2011. The interview was conducted telephonically and no exhibits were shown nor demonstrations conducted. The participants discussion centered on proposed amendments of the claims 1, 8, 10 and 14. Participants discussion included reference to the U.S. U.S. Patent 5,096,669 to Lauks, which reference was cited by the Examiner as a basis for rejection of the claims in the preceding Official Action.

Applicant proposed amended claim language limiting the fluid sample collection device to embodiments having external openings for engagement with ultrasonic sensors. The Examiner indicated that she was unable without further review of the cited reference to determine whether such limitation would be sufficient to differentiate the prior art. The Examiner observed that additional searching would be required. No other pertinent matters were discussed. No Agreement was reached.

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Applicant appreciates the Examiner's time with respect to the interview and continued examination.

Respectfully submitted,



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